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c.1840-1900

1138-1108 S. Charles St. (West side)

Baltimore, Md.

Private access

The west side of the 1100 block of S. Charles St. was originally improved with groups of two story plus attic and small three story, two bay wide, gable-roofed houses that served as combination residential/commercial structures. Only a few of these survive in their original exterior form (1134 and 1124 S. Charles St., which are two story plus attic houses, and 1114 and 1116 S. Charles St., which are three story, gable-roofed houses), the remainder having been enlarged and remodeled after the Civil War to a full three stories in height with shed roofs and bracketed cornices. All currently still serve a combined residential/commercial function. 1118-1120 S. Charles St. is a large three story, four bay wide brick building with shed roof and stepped roofline. The facade has been faced with cut stone and there is both brownstone and stamped sheet metal, Classical Revival style trim. This structure was built around the turn of the century to serve as a department store, as it still does today.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

1132 S. Charles St.

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Baltimore

VICINITY OF

STATE

COUNTY

Maryland

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT
☒ BUILDING(S)
☐ STRUCTURE
☐ SITE
☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC
☒ PRIVATE
☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
☐ UNOCCUPIED
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED
☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM
☒ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE
Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This three story, three bay brick building with shed roof and bracketed cornice represents either an enlargement or replacement of the original gable roofed house that was built on this site in the 1840's and formed part of a group of such houses extending along this side of Charles St. The first floor area has been converted into a store-front.

The building is three stories in height, 18 1/2' wide, and occupies a lot 60' deep. The two room deep building abuts a modern brick warehouse which extends back to the alley beyond. The building is constructed in running bond. The shed roof is capped by a stamped sheet metal cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a row of thick dentils and a row of egg-and-dart designs. Four brackets connect the cornice to a lower molding strip, thus forming a brick frieze area which is punctuated by three punched metal ventilating panels. The two end brackets terminate at their upper edges in rounded "anthemions."

The second and third floor window openings have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums. The sills are rustic stone. All of the window openings are filled with 1/1 double hung sash. The first floor area has been converted into a store-front with a centrally located, recessed glass and panel door flanked by two three-sided plate glass shop windows set on aluminum bases. There is also a glass and panel door leading to the second floor located in the northernmost bay. Both doors have single light transoms. The entire store-front area has a stamped sheet metal cornice consisting of a deeply projecting crown molding set above a row of dentils and a plain frieze area.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW				
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION		
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)		
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION				

SPECIFIC DATES orig. 1837-1845/ enl. 1880¹ BUILDER/ARCHITECT John A. Allers (original)

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 1134 S. Charles St.

This house is representative of a fairly large number of houses that were originally built in the 1840's and 1850's as gable-roofed houses, but which were remodeled after the Civil War in the currently fashionable Victorian style, with the front roof gable being raised and rebuilt as a shed roof, and a modern, bracketed cornice added.

The house was originally built as a two story plus attic house, similar to the adjoining house at 1134 S. Charles St. It remained in the possession of the Allers family, and in the 1870's was occupied by Harman Allers, a drover, laborer, and later butcher. In 1882 the house came into the possession of John H. Allers of H and it was apparently he who remodeled and enlarged the house. He also continued to run the family feed store business at 1138 S. Charles St., through the 1880's. He seems to have lived in this house, at least during that period.¹

¹ Baltimore City Directory, 1870, 1877, 1881, 1884; Baltimore City Land Records, Liber RTA 952, Folio 10

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 18'8" x 60'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

DATE

4/79

STREET & NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

Maryland 21204

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S. HANOVER

ST. 66'

W. CROSS

W. WEST

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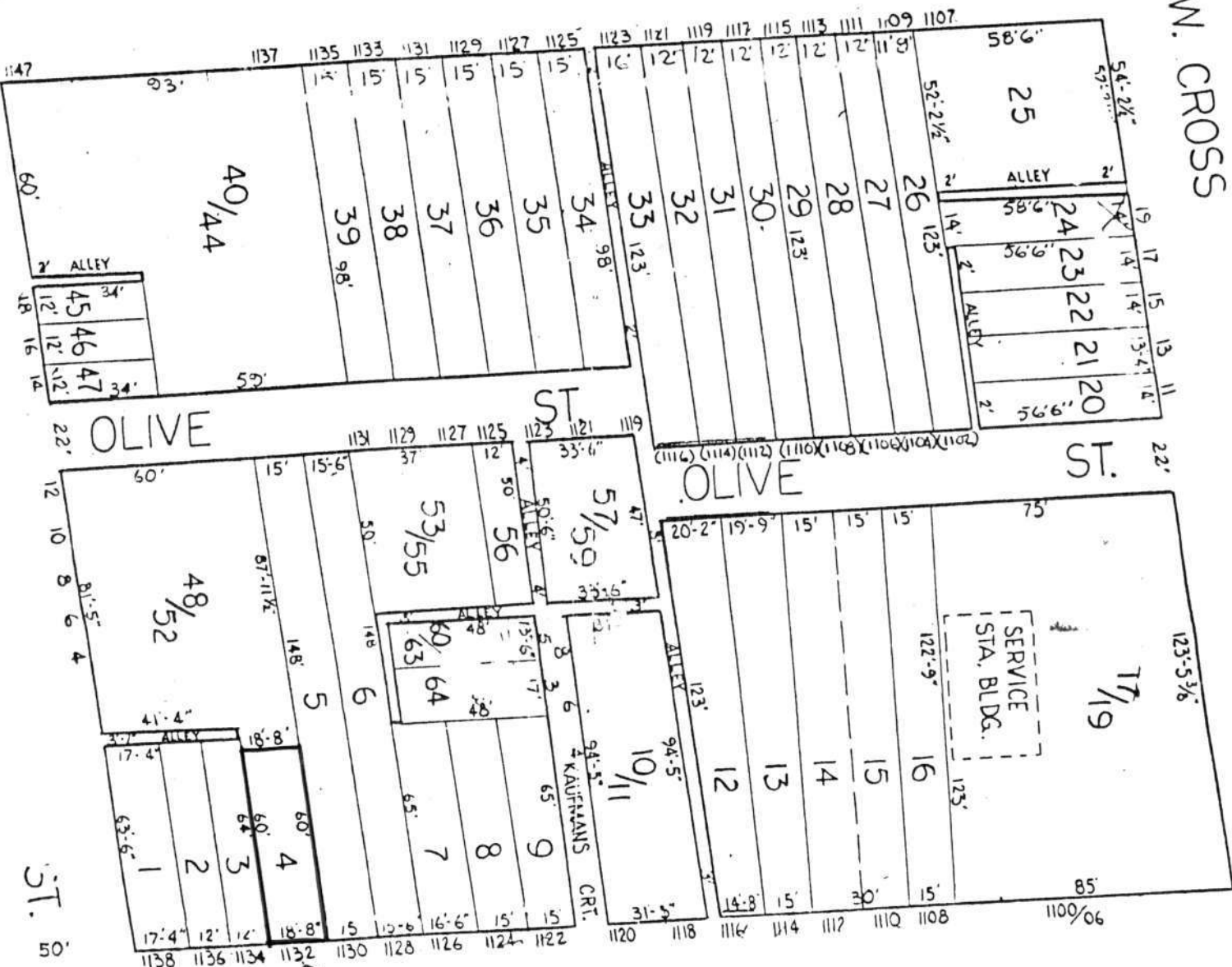
ST. 50'

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ST. 66'

S. CHARLES

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1132 S. Charles Street
Block 0949 Lot 004
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Baltimore East Quad.





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East elevation		